UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

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Mr. Harold Weisberg
7627 Old Receiver Road
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Dear Mr. Weisberg:

Reference is made to your Freedom of Information-Privacy Acts request for the Dallas Field Office 3X5 special index prepared for the investigation into the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

You are being furnished, under separate cover, releasable copies of 13,961 index cards. Information has been excised from certain index cards pursuant to an applicable Freedom of Information Act exemption as indicated on the card.

Where necessary, index cards were withheld in their entirety or new index cards were prepared, where releasable material was contained, in order to protect classified information, confidential sources and/or personal privacy. A total of 966 cards have been withheld in their entirety and 681 new cards have been prepared.

Pursuant to Title 5, United States Code, Section 552, the following exemptions were cited when processing the 3X5 special index:

(b)(1) information which is currently and properly classified pursuant to Executive Order 12065 in the interest of the national defense or foreign policy;

(b)(3) information specifically exempted from disclosure by statute Title 26, United States Code, Section 6103; Title 28, United States Code, Section 534;

(b)(6) materials contained in sensitive records such as personnel or medical files, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy;

(b)(7) investigatory records compiled for law enforcement purposes, the disclosure of which would:

(C) constitute an unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of another person;

(D) reveal the identity of an individual who has furnished information to the FBI under confidential circumstances or reveal information furnished only by such a person and not apparently known to the public or otherwise accessible to the FBI by overt means.

When outstanding referrals are returned to the FBI, appropriate action will be taken on the affected index cards and you will be notified.

Please refer to our letter dated March 14, 1980, concerning the 3X5 special index for an explanation of your rights of appeal.

Sincerely yours,

Thomas H. Bresson, Chief
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